GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7836
ANSWERED ON:16.05.2000
SHELTER AND SANITATION FACILITIES FOR FOOTPATH DWELLERS
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are some Central Schemes providing night shelter and sanitation facilities for the urban footpath dwellers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount sanctioned and released for each State and territory during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government of Maharashtra has shown any interest in these schemes; and

(d) if so, the details of activities undertaken in this regard in the State during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. A Central Sector scheme named Night Shelter and Sanitation Facilities to Footpath Dwellers in Urban Areas is in operation since 1988-89. The scheme is being implemented by the State Governments or local municipal bodies or other State sponsored/recommended agencies including voluntary institutions. The scheme was further modified in August, 1992 to cover all urban centres wherever there is concentration of footpath dwellers or homeless.

A statement indicating State-wise and year-wise details of projects sanctioned by HUDCO during the last three years i.e. 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 is enclosed.

(c)&(d): Yes, Sir. The information relating to Maharashtra is available at S.Nos.3, 5 and 2 of the enclosed statement.